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The directory lists approximately 70 parent training and information centers funded via P.L. 98-199 by the Department of Special Education and Rehabilitative Services (U.S. Department of Education). Drawn from telephone interviews with directors and/or staff members, the information for each listing includes name, address, telephone, director, contact person, geographic area served, services offered, types of referrals accepted, and other information to share. Listings are arranged alphabetically by state. (CL)

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PARENT INFORMATION AND TRAINING CENTER DIRECTORY

In the summer of 1984 the Department of Special Education and Rehabilitative Services, Office of Education, funded a number of projects as a result of P.L. 98-199. Included in this effort was funding for parent training and information centers nationwide. The work outlined in this document is information supplied by the grant recipients to the National Information Center for Handicapped Children and Youth (NICHCY). The first objective in the NICHCY contract with OSERS is "to establish a national system to distribute comprehensive and current information regarding educational and related services and rights affecting handicapped children and youth to a broadly based audience."

As part of the effort, NICHCY staff members participated in telephone interviews with directors and/or staff persons working on these grants. As a staff we wanted to establish personal contacts with these grant recipients. After the phone interview, each grantee was provided a NICHCY information packet and a staff roster.

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STATE: ALASKA

NAME: SEPTER (Special Education Parent Team for Equal Rights)
ADDRESS: 218 Front Street
CITY/STATE/ZIP: Juneau, Alaska 99801
TELEPHONE: (907) 586-6806
DIRECTOR: Marsha Buck
CONTACT PERSON: Linda Griffith

GEOGRAPHIC AREA SERVED: Alaska

SERVICES OFFERED:

1. Local Parent Training Workshops
2. Local Sibling Workshops
3. Parent Group Networking
4. Handicap Awareness Puppet Training
5. Direction Services

REFERRALS:

Parents of children with handicaps who need assistance or who are willing to help other parents and educators.

STATE: ARKANSAS

NAME: Arkansas Coalition for the Handicapped
ADDRESS: 701 West 7th
CITY/STATE/ZIP: Little Rock, AR 72201
TELEPHONE: (501) 376-3420
DIRECTOR: Patsy Fordyce
CONTACT PERSON: Becky Johnson

GEOGRAPHIC AREA SERVED:
The goal is to serve the whole state, starting with Pulaski County and then expanding services to the four surrounding counties.

SERVICES OFFERED:
In January 1985, a 40 hour parent training pilot course for 20 parents (taught by four consultants from the University); Year two--these parents will train other parents. The course will cover: a) history/philosophy of education, b) normalization perspective, c) laws/legislation, d) communicating with educators, and e) advocacy.

TYPES OF REFERRALS ACCEPTED:
Advocate exchange--the staff trains lay advocates for all areas/all ages: i.e., housing, education, employment, etc. Advocates help find services for the parent. If there is not a match available then one of the paid staff will go to the parent and work with them. (The entire state is within 4 hours driving time.)

OTHER INFORMATION TO SHARE:
The Coalition publishes a monthly "Lawline" updating federal and state legislation.

STATE: ARKANSAS

NAME: Focus, Inc.
ADDRESS: 2917 King Street, Suite C
CITY/STATE/ZIP: Jonesboro, AR 72401
TELEPHONE: (501) 935-2750
DIRECTOR: Barbara Semrau
CONTACT PERSON: Elizabeth Stafford

GEOGRAPHIC AREA SERVED:
Northeastern Arkansas

SERVICES OFFERED:
Parent training; I.E.P. development; implementing 94-142; and parent support.

TYPES OF REFERRALS ACCEPTED:
Individual assistance from stafr for parents; group discussion and meetings; one-to-one advocacy; peer training.

OTHER INFORMATION TO SHARE:
Training manual to be developed; class for parents of pre-schoolers 2-5; paraprofessional training; day service center; L.D. services--for high school students and young adults.

STATE: CALIFORNIA

NAME: Disability Rights Education and Defense Fund, Inc.
ADDRESS: Contra/Costa Counties Parent Training Project
CITY/STATE/ZIP: 2032 San Pablo Avenue, Berkeley, CA 94702
TELEPHONE: (415) 644-2555
DIRECTOR: Kim Swain
CONTACT PERSON: Mary Lou Breslin

GEOGRAPHIC AREA SERVED:
Contra/Costa County

SERVICES OFFERED:
Parent training provides assistance on how to work with administrators. Training focuses on the minority community. The Project publishes a newsletter and provide follow-up technical assistance after training. 100 parents are being trained through this grant.

TYPES OF REFERRALS ACCEPTED:
Referrals for parents to be trained; referrals to agencies and services.

OTHER INFORMATION TO SHARE:
Staff expertise in 94-142 law and policy.

STATE: CALIFORNIA

NAME: TASK (Team of Advocates for Special Kids)
ADDRESS: 1800 East La Veta
CITY/STATE/ZIP: Orange, CA 92666
TELEPHONE: (714) 771-6542, 43
DIRECTOR: Raylene Hayes
CONTACT PERSON: Raylene Hayes

GEOGRAPHIC AREA SERVED:
Southern California

SERVICES OFFERED:
Parent training and information; advocacy; awareness program; lending library; resource referral.

TYPES OF REFERRALS ACCEPTED:
All types.

OTHER INFORMATION TO SHARE:
A resource booklet has been compiled and will be sent to requestors.

STATE: CALIFORNIA

NAME: Multicultural Training of Trainers Project
ADDRESS: P.O. Box 54700
CITY/STATE/ZIP: Los Angeles, CA 90054
TELEPHONE: (213) 669-2309
DIRECTOR: Albert Zonca
CONTACT PERSON: Sam Chan

GEOGRAPHIC AREA SERVED:
San Francisco, East Bay and Southern California

SERVICES OFFERED:
Training program for selected Asian, Black, and Hispanic parents of handicapped children. Training focuses on legal rights and responsibilities; the educational system, IEP's, information on better understanding of handicapping conditions; parent/professional partnerships; how to work with children; and how to work with professionals.

TYPES OF REFERRALS ACCEPTED:
Each trainer will go back into the community to train other parents.

STATE: COLORADO

NAME: Community Living Skills Project, Denver ARC
ADDRESS: 899 Logan, Suite 311
CITY/STATE/ZIP: Denver, CO 80203
TELEPHONE: (303) 831-7733
DIRECTOR: Joseph Panza
CONTACT PERSON: Cathy Carlson

GEOGRAPHIC AREA SERVED:
Metropolitan Denver

SERVICES OFFERED:
Community Living Skills Program trains parents and other volunteers to teach community living skills to students with disabilities.

TYPES OF REFERRALS ACCEPTED:
All referrals regarding 94-142 and developmental disabilities. Denver ARC receives referrals in numerous areas relating to issues for citizens with mental retardation and other developmental disabilities.

OTHER INFORMATION TO SHARE:
Inservice curriculum for police re: cultural differences, handicaps, etc. Methods and materials for recruitment and training of volunteers including parents to teach community living skills to students with disabilities.

STATE: CONNECTICUT

NAME: Parent Advocacy Center, Inc.
ADDRESS: Mohegan Community College, Mahan Drive
CITY/STATE/ZIP: Norwich, CT 06360
TELEPHONE: (203) 886-5250
DIRECTOR: Barbara Konow
CONTACT PERSON:

GEOGRAPHIC AREA SERVED:
State of Connecticut

SERVICES OFFERED:
Training and assertiveness workshops are offered to parents. Workshops focus on varying topics such as regulation process, mediation, and with working with local school districts. These workshops, which are also offered to professionals, take place in different parts of Connecticut twice a month.

TYPES OF REFERRALS ACCEPTED:
All.

OTHER INFORMATION TO SHARE:
A toll free number will be available later.

STATE: DELAWARE

NAME: Parent Information Center of Delaware, Inc.
ADDRESS: 193 West Park Place
CITY/STATE/ZIP: Newark, DE 19711
TELEPHONE: (302) 366-0152
DIRECTOR: Patricia Gail Herbert
CONTACT PERSON: Same

GEOGRAPHIC AREA SERVED:
State of Delaware

SERVICES OFFERED:
Parent training is offered to parents from different school districts. Following training sessions the parents receive a training certificate to train other parents in their district. IMPACT, Information Matching for Parents and Agencies/Centers for Training.

TYPES OF REFERRALS ACCEPTED:
Children, infants-13 years.

STATE: DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

NAME: District of Columbia General Hospital/Department of Pediatrics
ADDRESS: Handicapped Infant Intervention Project, 4th Floor, West Wing,
1900 Massachusetts Avenue, S.E.
CITY/STATE/ZIP: Washington, DC 20003
TELEPHONE: (202) 675-7007
DIRECTOR: Elaine Vowels
CONTACT PERSON: Ellen Abramson

GEOGRAPHIC AREA SERVED:
District of Columbia, Northern Virginia, and Maryland

SERVICES OFFERED:
Provides a 10-month training program. The Project trains 100 adults per year who then become employed with the infant stimulation program. In addition the parents receive a certificate.

TYPES OF REFERRALS ACCEPTED:
One to one.

STATE: DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

NAME: Parenting Skills in Special Education
ADDRESS: Lt. Joseph Kennedy Institute/Kennedy School Program,
801 Buchanan Street, N.E.
CITY/STATE/ZIP: Washington, DC 20017
TELEPHONE: (202) 529-7600
DIRECTOR: Annette Bobbitt
CONTACT PERSON:

GEOGRAPHIC AREA SERVED:
District of Columbia

SERVICES OFFERED:
Training nine parents who will then train other parents in the rights of their children with regard to P.L. 94-142. The program will eventually provide assistance on a one-to-one basis. The program is also developing materials for use in the training.

TYPES OF REFERRALS ACCEPTED:
Parents to be trained; one to one referrals.

STATE: GEORGIA

NAME: Parents Educating Parents
ADDRESS: 1851 Ram Runway, Suite 102
CITY/STATE/ZIP: College Park, GA 30337
TELEPHONE: (404) 761-2745
DIRECTOR: Mildred Hill
CONTACT PERSON: Carla Putman, Bonnie Webb, Nita Ellington

GEOGRAPHIC AREA SERVED:
State of Georgia

SERVICES OFFERED:
Workshops: 1) 94-142 Training; 2) Project Next Step Training; 3) Rehabilitation Services Workshop; 4) Parent Information (library for parents); 5) Information and Referral; 6) Media Presentation Workshop; 7) Awareness and Sensitivity; 8) Trainer Workshop; 9) Strategy and Coalition Building Workshop; 10) Bi-monthly Newsletter; 11) Communication/Interaction Workshop; 12) South Regional TAPP Center.

TYPES OF REFERRALS ACCEPTED:
All referrals.

OTHER INFORMATION TO SHARE:
Share information and materials developed.

STATE: ILLINOIS

NAME: Parents Educating Parents/Department of Special Education
ADDRESS: Southern Illinois University
CITY/STATE/ZIP: Carbondale, IL 62901
TELEPHONE: (618) 453-2311
DIRECTOR: Priscilla Presley
CONTACT PERSON:

GEOGRAPHIC AREA SERVED:
Ten counties in southern Illinois and the counties near Cape Girardeau, Missouri, and Peducah, Kentucky.

SERVICES OFFERED:
Provides a series of workshops on 1) coping with having a special needs child, 2) the rights and responsibilities of parents, 3) working with schools, and 4) working with the child at home. Volunteers who wish to become parent trainers also receive additional training.

TYPES OF REFERRALS ACCEPTED:
Referrals are for participation in training only. One to one advocacy assistance is not provided.

OTHER INFORMATION TO SHARE:
Will send us copies of the booklets used in training parents.

STATE: ILLINOIS

NAME: Designs for Change
ADDRESS: 220 South State Street, Suite 1616
CITY/STATE/ZIP: Chicago, IL 60604
TELEPHONE: (312) 922-0317
DIRECTOR: Donald Moore
CONTACT PERSON:

GEOGRAPHIC AREA SERVED:
Under 2 projects, they serve the City of Chicago and parents with children in urban school systems in Northern Illinois (cities of Elgin, Evanston, Champaign, Peoria, and Springfield). Projects have special emphasis on serving minority handicapped children (particularly black and Hispanic).

SERVICES OFFERED:
Provide support to parent groups which are trying to get started through training and technical assistance. The project will provide one to one assistance to parents through support groups when they have not been able to identify resources.

TYPES OF REFERRALS ACCEPTED:
Model of service is built around involving parents in existing groups and providing assistance in starting new groups.

OTHER INFORMATION TO SHARE:
Will be sending materials that project has developed in eight years of existence including information about the labeling process.

STATE: ILLINOIS

NAME: La Grange Area Department of Special Education
ADDRESS: 1301 Cossitt
CITY/STATE/ZIP: La Grange, IL 60525
TELEPHONE: (312) 354-5730
DIRECTOR: David Peterson
CONTACT PERSON:

GEOGRAPHIC AREA SERVED:
Western Cook County and Eastern Du Page County (northern and western Chicago suburbs).

SERVICES OFFERED:
Provides training to parents in self-advocacy and parent teaching skills (help in developing the child's self-help skill and academic skills). Curriculum is being developed.

TYPES OF REFERRALS ACCEPTED:
Any parent of a child in those counties covered by the project.

OTHER INFORMATION TO SHARE:
Will send copy of the curriculum to requestors.

STATE: ILLINOIS

NAME: Coordinating Council for Handicapped Children
ADDRESS: 220 South State Street, Room 412
CITY/STATE/ZIP: Chicago, IL 60604
TELEPHONE: (312) 939-3515
DIRECTOR: Charlotte Des Jardins
CONTACT PERSON:

GEOGRAPHIC AREA SERVED:
Primarily Chicago area including suburbs of Chicago. Outreach to all of Illinois and those outside of Illinois upon request.

SERVICES OFFERED:
Information and referral; individualized assistance by phone; weekly special education rights training; monthly special education indepth workshops; on-site training on request; and parent-to-parent group leader training. Professional community leaders and other volunteers are included in training programs.

TYPES OF REFERRALS ACCEPTED:
All referrals relevant to special education.

OTHER INFORMATION TO SHARE:
Publications: Special Education Rights; Development of Advocacy Organizations; Assertiveness Training.

STATE: INDIANA

NAME: Task Force on Education for the Handicapped, Inc.
ADDRESS: 812 East Jefferson
CITY/STATE/ZIP: South Bend, IN 46617
TELEPHONE: (219) 234-7101
DIRECTOR: Klemens S. Bartosik
CONTACT PERSON: Becky Irvin

GEOGRAPHIC AREA SERVED:
State of Indiana

SERVICES OFFERED:
Training parents in parent involvement in the schools; training in rights and responsibilities; the I.E.P. process; and communication with school personnel.

TYPES OF REFERRALS ACCEPTED:
All referrals.

OTHER INFORMATION TO SHARE:
Surrogate parent training materials.

STATE: KENTUCKY

NAME: Kentucky Coalition for Career and Leisure Development
ADDRESS: 366 Waller Avenue, #119
CITY/STATE/ZIP: Lexington, KY 40504
TELEPHONE: (606) 278-4712
DIRECTOR: Gail Isaac
CONTACT PERSON:

GEOGRAPHIC AREA SERVED:
Central Kentucky; Fayette County and surrounding counties.

SERVICES OFFERED:
Training parents and professionals how to train other parents; home issues; financial issues; siblings; obtaining equipment; family dynamics; medical needs; home environment; working with schools; legal; basic needs (nutrition, personal hygiene, sexuality); recreation and leisure, financial planning resource; community issues; and transportation.

TYPES OF REFERRALS ACCEPTED:
All referrals regarding 94-142 and all related issues. Agency provides numerous services, therefore there is a wide variety of referrals accepted (i.e., adult rehabilitation, recreational, pre-school, etc.)

STATE: MAINE

NAME: Maine Parent Federation, Inc.
ADDRESS: P.O. Box 2067
CITY/STATE/ZIP: Augusta, ME 04030
TELEPHONE: (207) 767-3106
DIRECTOR: Pamela Rasmusan
CONTACT PERSON: Sandra Dunham or Pamela Rasmusan

GEOGRAPHIC AREA SERVED:
Entire State of Maine.

SERVICES OFFERED:
Promote effective participation of parents in all aspects of planning for youth and children with handicaps. An in-state toll free number will be available soon. Training will provide advocacy and systems education.

TYPES OF REFERRALS ACCEPTED:
All parent and family referrals including assistance for parents moving in or out of the state.

STATE: MARYLAND

NAME: Maryland Society for Autistic Adults & Child-en
ADDRESS: 1000 Century Plaza Building, Suite 327, 10632 Little Patuxent Parkway
CITY/STATE/ZIP: Columbia, MD 21044
TELEPHONE: (301) 596-0793
DIRECTOR: Nancy Neff
CONTACT PERSON: Nancy Neff

GEOGRAPHIC AREA SERVED:
State of Maryland.

SERVICES OFFERED:
Training sites are located in Baltimore, College Park, and Columbia for parents of children of all ages, including preschool aged. Advocacy training, emotional support.

TYPES OF REFERRALS ACCEPTED:
All referrals. Parents are encouraged to donate time to work on the project.

OTHER INFORMATION TO SHARE:

STATE: MASSACHUSETTS

NAME: Federation for Children with Special Needs
ADDRESS: 312 Stuart Street
CITY/STATE/ZIP: Boston, MA 02116
TELEPHONE: (617) 482-2915
DIRECTOR: Martha Ziegler
CONTACT PERSON: Patricia Bausemer or Beverly Graham

GEOGRAPHIC AREA SERVED:
State of Massachusetts, with branch office in Westfield

SERVICES OFFERED:
Training parents to access their rights under state and federal laws; training resource parents in each of 6 regions; training due process specialists to represent parents in mediation and administrative hearing; training conferences on values embodied in PL 94-142 and 766.

TYPES OF REFERRALS ACCEPTED:
Group training, on-site and in office; IEP clinics (one to one); information; referral to parent organization (disability on local PAC).

OTHER INFORMATION TO SHARE:
Special training and materials for Hispanic parents; special training for improved collaboration between parents and health professionals.

STATE: MASSACHUSETTS

NAME: Federation for Children with Special Needs
ADDRESS: 312 Stuart Street
CITY/STATE/ZIP: Boston, MA 02116
TELEPHONE: (617) 482-2915
DIRECTOR: Martha Ziegler
CONTACT PERSON: Janet Vohs

GEOGRAPHIC AREA SERVED:
National.

SERVICES OFFERED:
Publication of Coalition Quarterly; task force on transition; dissemination of model training projects for Due Process Specialists and for Collaboration Between Parents and Health Professionals.

TYPES OF REFERRALS ACCEPTED:
Referral to and from the Technical Assistance to Parent Programs (TAPP) Project.

STATE: MICHIGAN

NAME: Citizen's Alliance to Uphold Special Education
ADDRESS: 313 South Washington Square, Lower Level
CITY/STATE/ZIP: Lansing, MI 48933
TELEPHONE: (517) 485-4084
DIRECTOR: Eileen Cassidy
CONTACT PERSON: Mayellen Brocklehurst

GEOGRAPHIC AREA SERVED:
State of Michigan.

SERVICES OFFERED:
Workshops to parents: 1) activating parents in special education process, skills needed to utilize resources: legal, ancillary, support services, IEP; 2) understanding and communicating with professionals, learn roles and duties; 3) requested topics--school to work transition.

TYPES OF REFERRALS ACCEPTED:
All referrals accepted.

OTHER INFORMATION TO SHARE:
SCAD - Statewide and communicating dissemination service newsletter, represents 15 provider organization. (800)221-9105 (in-state toll free number)

STATE: MINNESOTA

NAME: PACER Center, Inc.
ADDRESS: 4826 Chicago Avenue South
CITY/STATE/ZIP: Minneapolis, MN 55417-1055
TELEPHONE: (612) 827-2966
DIRECTOR: Paula Goldberg and Marge Goldberg, Co-Directors
CONTACT PERSON: Same

GEOGRAPHIC AREA SERVED:
State of Minnesota

SERVICES OFFERED:
Computer workshops; Count Me In--a project to help children and adults learn about handicapping conditions through training, literature, and puppet show presentations; research program on the effectiveness of parent training; parent advocacy training program; outreach to Spanish speaking parents; vocational program encourages training to student with disabilities in their late high school years.

TYPES OF REFERRALS ACCEPTED:
All types of referrals.

OTHER INFORMATION TO SHARE:
Newsletter--PACESETTER; PACER publications PARENTS CAN BE THE KEY, a 28-page handbook describing special education procedures and laws; single copies are free to Minnesota parents of handicapped children; for others: $1/copy, 2-10 copies, $.85 each, 11-25 copies, $.60 each, 26-50 copies, $.50 each; a bilingual edition (Spanish and English) edition is available for $3.

STATE: MISSISSIPPI

NAME: Mississippi Protection and Advocacy System for Developmentally Disabled, Inc.
ADDRESS: 4750 McWillie Drive, Suite 101
CITY/STATE/ZIP: Jackson, MS 39206
TELEPHONE: (601) 981-8207
DIRECTOR:
CONTACT PERSON: Rebecca Floyd

GEOGRAPHIC AREA SERVED:
Statewide

SERVICES OFFERED:
Training for parents and volunteers, information for parents; organizational/school system/advocacy/legal assistance.

TYPES OF REFERRALS ACCEPTED:
All referrals re: issues surrounding PL 94-142.

STATE: MISSISSIPPI

NAME: Association of Developmental Organizations of Mississippi (ADOM)
ADDRESS: 6055 Highway 18 South
CITY/STATE/ZIP: Jackson, MS 39209
TELEPHONE: (601) 922-3210
DIRECTOR: Anne Presley
CONTACT PERSON: Sue Sorrell

GEOGRAPHIC AREA SERVED:
Hinds County

SERVICES OFFERED:
Individual assistance to parents; workshops on 94-192; least restrictive environment; handling handicapped children; handicapped awareness; newsletters through schools announcing workshops.

TYPES OF REFERRALS ACCEPTED:
All parents; plan to train parent facilitators.

STATE: NEVADA

NAME: Nevada Association for the Handicapped
ADDRESS: P.O. Box 2848
CITY/STATE/ZIP: Las Vegas, NV 89216
TELEPHONE: (702) 646-0377
DIRECTOR:
CONTACT PERSON: Vincent Triggs

GEOGRAPHIC AREA SERVED:
State of Nevada.

SERVICES OFFERED:
Sheltered employment, parent advocacy training, day training, transportation, independent training.

TYPES OF REFERRALS ACCEPTED:
All types of referrals for parents, professionals.

STATE: NEW HAMPSHIRE

NAME: Parent Information Center (PIC) (a project of the New Hampshire Coalition for Handicapped Citizens, Inc.
ADDRESS: P.O. Box 1422
CITY/STATE/ZIP: Concord, NH 03301
TELEPHONE: (603) 224-7005
DIRECTOR: Judith Raskin
CONTACT PERSON: Judith Raskin

GEOGRAPHIC AREA SERVED:
State of New Hampshire.

SERVICES OFFERED:
General information; parent consulting service; parent training programs; educational advocate training program; surrogate parent training program; teaching organization and coping skills program; training programs for professionals; resource material; mediation; Project Building; board training.

TYPES OF REFERRALS ACCEPTED:
All types of referrals.

STATE: NEW JERSEY

NAME: Montclair Board of Education
ADDRESS: 22 Valley Road
CITY/STATE/ZIP: Montclair, NJ 07042
TELEPHONE: (201) 783-4000
DIRECTOR: Mary Vernacchia
CONTACT PERSON:

GEOGRAPHIC AREA SERVED:
Montclair, New Jersey.

SERVICES OFFERED:
Group meetings are held at which speakers are invited to speak on subjects of interest to the parents. There is an attempt to build stable parent working groups which will lead to networking among the parents.

TYPES OF REFERRALS ACCEPTED:
The emphasis is on serving parents who have children in the Montclair school system. Parents from nearby communities can be included in groups, but there is an emphasis on building stable groups.

STATE: NEW JERSEY

NAME: Involve New Jersey, Inc.
ADDRESS: 199 Pancoast Avenue
CITY/STATE/ZIP: Moorestown, NJ 08057
TELEPHONE: (609) 778-0599
DIRECTOR: Mary Callahan
CONTACT PERSON:

GEOGRAPHIC AREA SERVED:
Statewide

SERVICES OFFERED:
Training parents and handicapped adults to coordinate services for others from birth; physicians, hairdressers, career education, post secondary, I.E.P., industry, identifying parent groups, what kind, agencies, etc.

TYPES OF REFERRALS ACCEPTED:
All.

STATE: NEW MEXICO

NAME: Protection and Advocacy System
ADDRESS: 2201 San Pedro, NE, Building 4, Suite 140
CITY/STATE/ZIP: Albuquerque, NM 87110
TELEPHONE: (505) 888-0111
DIRECTOR:
CONTACT PERSON: Beatriz Mitchell

GEOGRAPHIC AREA SERVED:
State of New Mexico

SERVICES OFFERED:
Developing/disseminating educational materials re: rights and suggestions for involvement by parents.

TYPES OF REFERRALS ACCEPTED:
All referrals; works closely with New Mexico Parents Reaching Out

OTHER INFORMATION TO SHARE:
Program staff has bilingual capacity; 1984 first year for 94-142 in New Mexico.

STATE: NEW YORK

NAME: HIP - Helping to Inform Parents/Western New York Association for Learning Disabilities
ADDRESS: 190 Franklin Street, 3rd Floor
CITY/STATE/ZIP: Buffalo, NY 14202
TELEPHONE: (716) 855-1135
DIRECTOR: Donald N. Policella
CONTACT PERSON: Joan Watkins

GEOGRAPHIC AREA SERVED:
Buffalo area.

SERVICES OFFERED:
4 workshops for parents which focus on stress, trans'tion, assertiveness and PL 94-142. Workshops are offered Fall/Spring/Fall Spring.

TYPES OF REFERRALS ACCEPTED:
School age 3 years to 21 years of age; transition referrals.

STATE: NEW YORK

NAME: Parent/Teacher Training to Design Teacher Training for Home Intervention and Workshops
ADDRESS: Lehman Bollege, Bedford Park Boulevard
CITY/STATE/ZIP: Bronx, NY 10468
TELEPHONE: (212) 960-8570
DIRECTOR: Professor Brian Hurwitz
CONTACT PERSON:

GEOGRAPHIC AREA SER'ED:
Community School District #10 in Bronx, New York (Fordham and Kingsbridge).

SERVICES OFFERED:
11 teachers from District 10 are taking a graduate course in home intervention. In this course the teachers work on a one to one basis with parents. There are also monthly meetings of parent advisory committees which parents are invited to attend. Parents are also involved in ongoing workshops which serve as a focal point for parent to parent assistance.

TYPES OF REFERRALS ACCEPTED:
Parents in District 10 who have children in primary school or junior high school.

OTHER INFORMATION TO SHARE:
Will send copies of materials they have developed as part of the project on request.

STATE: NEW YORK

NAME: Advocates for Children in New York, Inc.
ADDRESS: 24-16 Bridge Plaza South
CITY/STATE/ZIP: Long Island City, NY 11101
TELEPHONE: (718) 729-8866
DIRECTOR: Jane Stearn
CONTACT PERSON: Valerie Mascitti

GEOGRAPHIC AREA SERVED:
New York City (five boroughs--Brooklyn, Queens, Manhattan, Staten Island, and the Bronx).

SERVICES OFFERED:
Provides one to one advocacy assistance and parent training.

TYPES OF REFERRALS ACCEPTED:
The most appropriate referrals are parents of children with disabilities who are attending the New York City school system.

OTHER INFORMATION TO SHARE:
Materials being used in the program are available upon request.

STATE: NORTH CAROLINA

NAME: Advocacy Center for Children's Education and Parent Training
ADDRESS: P.O. Box 27952
CITY/STATE/ZIP: Raleigh, NC 27611
TELEPHONE: (919) 821-2048
DIRECTOR: Jennifer Seykora
CONTACT PERSON: Helen Lavere

GEOGRAPHIC AREA SERVED:
State of North Carolina.

SERVICES OFFERED:
Training parents in the laws; how to negotiate the systems; regional and community level workshops; 64 parents available as local resources.

TYPES OF REFERRALS ACCEPTED:
Within State, toll-free number; 1-800-532-5358

STATE: NORTH CAROLINA

NAME: Parents Are Volunteers Who Excel
ADDRESS: Appalachian State University, Human Development Research Institute, Family, Infants, and Preschool Project, Western Carolina Center
CITY/STATE/ZIP: Morganton, NC 28655
TELEPHONE: (704) 433-2864
DIRECTOR: Patti Gilbert
CONTACT PERSON:

GEOGRAPHIC AREA SERVED:
Western North Carolina (western North Carolina is defined as being west of Avery County).

SERVICES OFFERED:
Project trains parent volunteers to work in pre-school programs (24 parents so far working in 14 centers in 7 counties).

TYPES OF REFERRALS ACCEPTED:
Referrals of parents in western North Carolina who wish to be volunteers are the most appropriate type of referrals. The Family, Infant, and Preschool project is the mother project for the Parents Who Are Volunteers Excel Project. They provide assistance to parents through the Follow Along component. The Follow Along component deals mostly with preschool children.

OTHER INFORMATION TO SHARE:
Will send material developed by the projected upon request.

STATE: NORTH CAROLINA

NAME: Charlotte-Mecklenberg Exceptional Children's Advocacy Council
ADDRESS: P.O. Box 16
CITY/STATE/ZIP: Davidson, NC 28036
TELEPHONE: (704) 892-4407
DIRECTOR: Connie Hawkins
CONTACT PERSON:

GEOGRAPHIC AREA SERVED:
City of Charlotte and surrounding counties.

SERVICES OFFERED:
Parent leadership training--parents who are already actively working with the school system; Case Advocacy Coalition--has a parent representative for each disability.

TYPES OF REFERRALS ACCEPTED:
All referrals for leadership training; referrals regarding Coalition. Coalition meets once a month.

OTHER INFORMATION TO SHARE:
Working on putting together a list of teachers who will tutor students during the summer; also a list of psychologists who will work with the handicapped.

STATE: OHIO

NAME: Ohio Coalition Parent/Educator Team Training Project
ADDRESS: 933 High Street, Suite 200-H
CITY/STATE/ZIP: Worthington, OH 43085
TELEPHONE: (614) 431-1307
DIRECTOR: Margaret Burley
CONTACT PERSON: Margaret Burley, Ellen Combs, Anne Lawyer, Susan Nemeth

GEOGRAPHIC AREA SERVED:

Entire State with an additional focus on training in 8 major cities.

SERVICES OFFERED:

Legislative advocacy, one to one casework, statewide computer data base for information referral (development stage), parent/educator team training.

The Ohio Coalition Parent/Educator Team Training Project is designed to promote and maintain the partnership among school personnel and parents of children in need of special education services, through the establishment of a statewide parent/educator team training network. Select teams of parents and educators are trained through a series of workshops which include the following topics: building effective parent/educator relationships, communication and conflict resolution techniques, laws and regulations relating to handicapped students, the IEP, and evaluation issues. These teams then return to their own region to initiate their own training sessions. Project staff members conduct the initial training sessions and offer on-site technical assistance as the teams prepare to train.

TYPES OF REFERRALS ACCEPTED:

All referrals accepted.

OTHER INFORMATION TO SHARE:

Can disseminate information through the Forum, a monthly newsletter, produced through the Ohio Coalition's MR/DD Legislative Coalition.

Can provide linkage opportunities to the Ohio Department of Education's Division of Special Education, Ohio Department of Mental Retardation/Developmental Disabilities, Ohio Rehabilitation Services Commission, Ohio's 16 Special Education Regional Resource Centers, and the 35 member organizations of the Ohio Coalition for the Education of Handicapped Children.

STATE: OHIO

NAME: Southwestern Ohio Coalition for Persons with Disabilities/ (SOC Information Center)
ADDRESS: 3024 Burnet Avenue
CITY/STATE/ZIP: Cincinnati, OH 45219
TELEPHONE: (513) 861-2400
DIRECTOR: Thomas Murray
CONTACT PERSON:

GEOGRAPHIC AREA SERVED:
Three counties in Southwestern Ohio; three counties in Northwest Kentucky.

SERVICES OFFERED:
Parent training, information and referral, advocacy services and parent support. The center receives approximately 2,000 inquiries a year. The majority of these are from parents.

TYPES OF REFERRALS ACCEPTED:

All referrals regarding 94-142 for parents, families, students, educators and others involved in working with students in special education.

STATE: OREGON

NAME: Oregon Coalition for Exceptional Children and Young Adults
ADDRESS: 999 Locust Street, N.E., #42
CITY/STATE/ZIP: Salem, OR 97303
TELEPHONE: (503) 373-7477
DIRECTOR: Cheron Mayhall
CONTACT PERSON:

GEOGRAPHIC AREA SERVED:
State of Oregon

SERVICES OFFERED:
Three workshops: 1) Rights and responsibilities of parents; 2) Characteristics of Handicapped Children; 3) Formulation and facilitation of self-help group of parents.

TYPES OF REFERRALS ACCEPTED:
In seven regional areas, the project staff work with parents at the local level. The Project provides a clearinghouse about programs and information across the state. Increase public awareness of the needs and the capabilities of handicapped persons.

STATE: OREGON

NAME: Training for Parent Trainers, Oregon State System of Higher Education/Teaching Research
ADDRESS: Western Oregon State College
CITY/STATE/ZIP: Monmouth, OR 97361
TELEPHONE: (503) 838-1220
DIRECTOR: William Moore
CONTACT PERSON: Carol Bunse

GEOGRAPHIC AREA SERVED: Oregon

SERVICES OFFERED:
All of Oregon is served through parent trainers. Polk County parents are served directly by the project (Monmouth is in Polk County). The project operates through parent trainers throughout the state which teaches parents to provide early intervention care for their children in the 0-3 age group. Oregon has just mandated services for children in this age group.

TYPES OF REFERRALS ACCEPTED:
Any parent with a disabled child in the 0-3 range in Oregon. They prefer to hear from parents directly.

STATE: OREGON

NAME: Oregon Parent Volunteer Training Program/Western Oregon State College
ADDRESS: 34 Monmouth Avenue
CITY/STATE/ZIP: Monmouth, OR 97361
TELEPHONE: (503) 838-1220
DIRECTOR: Thomas D. Rowland
CONTACT PERSON:

GEOGRAPHIC AREA SERVED:
Project operates through satellite centers which serve the local education agencies in a county. Five centers have chosen to participate in the project.

SERVICES OFFERED:
The project trains two individuals from each satellite center to train parents to work with their children. At each center a parent and a professional are trained. It is important for parents to work with their children because in many rural communities the school systems do not have kindergarten or pre-school programs. Referrals are made to the satellite centers through physicians, Head Start programs, and day care programs.

TYPES OF REFERRALS ACCEPTED:
The centers in Monmouth which operate the project can be helpful to parents by conducting evaluations. Appropriate referrals for the satellite program would be parents in rural Oregon.

OTHER INFORMATION TO SHARE:
Copies of the materials developed by the project are available upon request.

STATE: OREGON

NAME: University of Oregon Parent-to-Parent Center for Human Development Early Intervention
ADDRESS: Clinical Services Building, 901 East 18th Street
CITY/STATE/ZIP: Eugene, OR 97405
TELEPHONE: (503) 686-3568
DIRECTOR: Diane D. Bricker
CONTACT PERSON: Barbara Walker

GEOGRAPHIC AREA SERVED:
Lake County (Eugene/Springfield Metropolitan Area)

SERVICES OFFERED:
The Project provides a program which has an educational component and a support component. The education component helps parents to work on teaching their own children. Parents who participate in this aspect of the program have the opportunity to become employed as teacher's helpers. The support component stresses group interaction which allows parents to form networks within the community.

TYPES OF REFERRALS ACCEPTED:
The most appropriate referrals are parents with pre-school age disabled children who are living in Lake County. In addition to the services described above the project also provides one to one assistance to parents in resolving problems such as finding appropriate services.

OTHER INFORMATION TO SHARE:
Will send copies of materials used by the project upon request.

STATE: PENNSYLVANIA

NAME: Parents Union for Public Schools
ADDRESS: 401 North Broad Street, Room 916
CITY/STATE/ZIP: Philadelphia, PA 19108
TELEPHONE: (215) 574-0337
DIRECTOR:
CONTACT PERSON: Christine Davis

GEOGRAPHIC AREA SERVED:
City of Philadelphia

SERVICES OFFERED:
The Project provides one to one assistance to parents having difficulty with receiving appropriate services from the Philadelphia Public School System. Parents Union is in the process of developing training for parents of children with disabilities. They provide assistance for parents of mildly handicapped children who are making the transition from preschool into the mainstream of primary school.

TYPES OF REFERRALS ACCEPTED:
Referrals of parents with children in the Philadelphia Public Schools.

OTHER INFORMATION TO SHARE:
They will send information they have developed upon request.

STATE: PENNSYLVANIA

NAME: Parent Education Network
ADDRESS: 240 Haymeadow Drive
CITY/STATE/ZIP: York, PA 17402
TELEPHONE: (717) 845-9722
DIRECTOR: Louise Thieme
CONTACT PERSON:

GEOGRAPHIC AREA SERVED:
State of Pennsylvania

SERVICES OFFERED:
Information regarding special education laws and regulations, newsletter, communication skill and development workshops, and technical assistance and support to parents of school age special needs children. Also, the project provide assistance in uniting parent groups to work together.

TYPES OF REFERRALS ACCEPTED:
All types of referrals; will try to match parents with local parent support group.

STATE: PENNSYLVANIA

NAME: Pennsylvania Association for Children with Learning Disabilities
ADDRESS: P.O. Box 208
CITY/STATE/ZIP: Eagle, PA 19480
TELEPHONE: (215) 458-8193, in state toll free (800) 692-6200
DIRECTOR: Mary Rita Hanley
CONTACT PERSON:

GEOGRAPHIC AREA SERVED:
State of Pennsylvania

SERVICES OFFERED:
Programs are offered on an informal basis throughout Pennsylvania for anyone concerned with testing, programming, and working with schools to understand results of testing and compiling an IEP. The project offers advocacy services and a toll free number.

TYPES OF REFERRALS ACCEPTED:
Acts as referrals agency to other organizations throughout Pennsylvania.

STATE: PENNSYLVANIA

NAME: PIP - Parents Instructing Parents
ADDRESS: 1001 Brighton Road
CITY/STATE/ZIP: Pittsburgh, PA 15233
TELEPHONE: (412) 322-6008
DIRECTOR: Fred Baughman
CONTACT PERSON:

GEOGRAPHIC AREA SERVED:
Allegheny County

SERVICES OFFERED:
PIP is composed of 10 parents who have been involved with early intervention programs with their infants. Parents are trained and will receive certificate to train other parents of children for 0-13 years of age. They call themselves the "PIPS".

TYPES OF REFERRALS ACCEPTED:
Parents of young children with handicaps.

OTHER INFORMATION TO SHARE:
Information about this 3 year program that served over 100 children is available upon request.

STATE: PUERTO RICO

NAME: APNI (Asociation de Padres Pro-Bienestar de Ninos Impedidos de Puerto Rico)
ADDRESS: Box 21301
CITY/STATE/ZIP: Rio Piedras, PR 00928
TELEPHONE: (809) 767-1251, (809) 765-0345, and (809) 763-4665
DIRECTOR: Carmen Selles Vila
CONTACT PERSON:

GEOGRAPHIC AREA SERVED:
Puerto Rico

SERVICES OFFERED:
Parent training an 94-142. I.E.P. training Behavior Modification Training. Sexuality and the Handicapped. One to one emotional support.

TYPES OF REFERRALS ACCEPTED:
Any parent, professional, or - student referral.

OTHER INFORMATION TO SHARE:
Summer camp for handicapped children.

STATE: PUERTO RICO

NAME: Trainer of Volunteers Project
ADDRESS: World University, Barbosa, and Guayama
CITY/STATE/ZIP: Hato Rey, PR 00917
TELEPHONE: (809) 758-4646 or (809) 782-2990
DIRECTOR: Hector Quinones, (809) 758-4646
CONTACT PERSON: Irene Meledez, (809) 782-2990

GEOGRAPHIC AREA SERVED:
North Coast (San Juan, Carolina, Guaynabo)
South Coast (Ponce, Diallalba, Santa Isabel)

SERVICES OFFERED:
Spanish curriculum developed and tested. A train the trainers model; trained more than 100 volunteers including parents, during the first year. Projected to train 100/150 volunteers in second year.

TYPES OF REFERRALS ACCEPTED:
Any volunteers/parents desiring training

OTHER INFORMATION TO SHARE:
The University has a number of other projects for parents and volunteers. Information available upon request.

STATE: TENNESSEE

NAME: EACH, Inc.
ADDRESS: P.O. Box 121257
CITY/STATE/ZIP: Nashville, TN 37212
TELEPHONE: (615) 327-0697
DIRECTOR: Harriette Derryberry
CONTACT PERSON: Sherry Ventarelli

GEOGRAPHIC AREA SERVED:
Jackson, Knoxville, Nashville

SERVICES OFFERED:
EACH begins training and informing parents, professionals, and the public in the rights of children with handicaps under the right to education laws, P.L. 94-142, and Chapter 839. The Project conducts parent information sessions; one-day training workshops, and an overview of the laws.

TYPES OF REFERRALS ACCEPTED:
EACH offers adult advocacy program.

OTHER INFORMATION TO SHARE:
A Self Advocacy Network is being developed. EACH, Inc. is Tennessee's Protection and Advocacy's agency.

STATE: TEXAS

NAME: Advocacy, Inc.
ADDRESS: 7700 Chevy Chase Drive, Room 300
CITY/STATE/ZIP: Austin, TX 73751
TELEPHONE: (512) 475-5543, toll free (800) 252-8108
DIRECTOR: Daylee Bebee
CONTACT PERSON: Reed Martin

GEOGRAPHIC AREA SERVED:
State of Texas

SERVICES OFFERED:
Protection and Advocacy; Client Assistance/Rehabilitation; Parent Training; and Advocacy Training.

TYPES OF REFERRALS ACCEPTED:
Parents and Consumers

OTHER INFORMATION TO SHARE:
A parent manual for Texas currently under revision, will be available upon request.

STATE: TEXAS

NAME: Association for Retarded Citizens - Texas
ADDRESS: 833 Houston Street
CITY/STATE/ZIP: Austin, TX 78756
TELEPHONE: (512) 454-6694
DIRECTOR: Carmen Quesada
CONTACT PERSON: Gyla McFarland

GEOGRAPHIC AREA SERVED:
State of Texas

SERVICES OFFERED:
Advocacy; Planning; Texas Advocacy and Guardianship Services (TAGS); Future planning; and assistance for families.

TYPES OF REFERRALS ACCEPTED:
Parents, consumers, and professionals. The program trains volunteers to work on a one-to-one basis with parents.

STATE: TEXAS

NAME: Early Parent Intervention
ADDRESS: 910 Seventh
CITY/STATE/ZIP- Orange, Texas 77630
PHONE: (409) 883-3324
COORDINATORS: Janice Foreman and
Jeanelle Cochnan

GEOGRAPHIC AREA SERVED: Southeast Texas 5 Counties
Orange County, Jefferson County, Hardin County, Liberty /County, and Chambers County.

SERVICES OFFERED:
1. Pilot Parents Program
2. Educated Advocate Program
3. Early Intervention Program
4. Free Materials

TYPES OF REFERRALS:
Parents

STATE: UTAH

NAME: Developmental Center for Handicapped
ADDRESS: UMC-68, Utah State University
CITY/STATE/ZIP: Logan, UT 84322
TELEPHONE: (801) 750-3253
DIRECTOR: Jim Pezzino
CONTACT PERSON:

GEOGRAPHIC AREA SERVED:
First year of grant: Northern Utah
Second year of grant: entire state

SERVICES OFFERED:
The project is training parents to work with their own children the first year. The second years training will focus on training parents to work with the other parents.

TYPES OF REFERRALS ACCEPTED:
All parent referrals.

STATE: UTAH

NAME: Utah Parent Training Information Center
ADDRESS: 4984 South 300 West
CITY/STATE/ZIP: Murray, UT 84107
TELEPHONE: (801) 265-9883
DIRECTOR: Jean Nash
CONTACT PERSON: Robin Taylor

GEOGRAPHIC AREA SERVED:
State of Utah

SERVICES OFFERED:
The project offers information regarding services available; parent training; and information about Federal and state regulations.

TYPES OF REFERRALS ACCEPTED:
All

STATE: VERMONT

NAME: Parent-to-Parent Program of Chittendon County
ADDRESS: Champlain Mill #37
CITY/STATE/ZIP: Winooski, VT 05540
TELEPHONE: (802) 864-0761
DIRECTOR: Joan Sylvester
CONTACT PERSON: Connie Curtin

GEOGRAPHIC AREA SERVED:
State of Vermont

SERVICES OFFERED:
The project provides trainers to train parents and professionals who work with parents of youth with handicaps. The object of the training program is to increase vocational skills and employment. Focus on ages 12-21 years of age.

TYPES OF REFERRALS ACCEPTED:
Parents of adolescents and young adults involved in planning all aspects of transition from school to work and adult life. Consumers involved in learning about their role in transition of students with handicaps.

OTHER INFORMATION TO SHARE:
In the future, the training programs will include consumers.

STATE: VERMONT

NAME: University of Vermont/Center for Development Disabilities
ADDRESS: 499C Waterman Building
CITY/STATE/ZIP: Burlington, VT 05405
TELEPHONE: (802) 656-4031
DIRECTOR: Wayne L. Fox
CONTACT PERSON: Wayne L. Fox

GEOGRAPHIC AREA SERVED:
State of Vermont

SERVICES OFFERED:
The project provides coordination for 12 parent training programs in Vermont.

TYPES OF REFERRALS ACCEPTED:
Parents for one to one assistance.

OTHER INFORMATION TO SHARE:
This is the major research center on disabilities in Vermont. They will send literature on parent training in Vermont upon request.

STATE: VIRGINIA

NAME: Parent Educational Advocacy Training Center
ADDRESS: 228 South Pitt Street, Suite 300
CITY/STATE/ZIP: Alexandria, VA 22134
TELEPHONE: (703) 836-2953
DIRECTOR: Winifred Anderson
CONTACT PERSON: Diedre Hayden

GEOGRAPHIC AREA SERVED:

Virginia, West Virginia, Maryland, and other Mid-Atlantic states

SERVICES OFFERED:

Consultation services: education specialists assist parents on an individual basis by providing the following: review of school records; explanation of school evaluations and test results; preparation for developing the IEP; assistance in monitoring the IEP; assessment of placement through classroom observation; preparation for and assistance at administrative proceedings. Charges for services are determined by sliding scale. Parent training courses (Understanding Special Education (USE); Action Planning in Eduation (APLE); Next Steps: Planning for Employment). Parent-Professional Team Training Course (Mastering the Maze). State Model Program (Parent/School/Community Resource Project). Publications: Quarterly newsletter; Negotiating the Special Education Maze: A Guide for Parents and Teachers, Anderson, Chitwood, Hayden, Prentice-Hall, Englewood Cliffs, New Jersey, 1984.

TYPES OF REFERRALS ACCEPTED:

All types regarding special education.

OTHER INFORMATION TO SHARE:

Will provide program information listed above upon request.

STATE: VIRGINIA

NAME: Model for Comprehensive Service to Parents
ADDRESS: Office of the Director of Special Education, P.O. Box 6-Q
CITY/STATE/ZIP: Richmond, VA 23216
TELEPHONE: (804) 225-2402
DIRECTOR: Les Jones
CONTACT PERSON:

GEOGRAPHIC AREA SERVED:

State of Virginia. There are now parent projects being conducted in the Richmond City School System, Hampton City School System, and the Alexandria City School System.

SERVICES OFFERED:

Project is focused on developing parent assistance projects in local school districts. As of 10/84, three school system (Alexandria, Hampton, and Richmond) had developed centers as part of the project. Centers provide assistance in finding needed services and inform parents about special education services. Training is provided to parents through a subcontract with the Parent Advocacy Training Center in Alexandria.

TYPES OF REFERRALS ACCEPTED:

Parents wishing assistance should call Les Jones at the above number. If parents are in one of the three cities, they can contact the Director of Special Education for the school systems.

OTHER INFORMATION TO SHARE:

Materials developed to inform parents about their rights is available upon request.

STATE: WASHINGTON

NAME: King County Advocates for Retarded Citizens - Parents to Parents
ADDRESS: 2230 8th Avenvue
CITY/STATE/ZIP: Seattle, WA 98121
TELEPHONE: (206) 622-9292
DIRECTOR: Judith Liddell
CONTACT PERSON: Pam McDonald

GEOGRAPHIC AREA SERVED:
King County, the project also serves parents from other counties.

SERVICES OFFERED:
One to one parent support and training of parents to train other parents.

TYPES OF REFERRALS ACCEPTED:
All

OTHER INFORMATION TO SHARE:
They are beginning a grandparent support group that also serves other members of the extended family.

STATE: WASHINGTON

NAME: Washington National Society for Autistic Children - National Personnel Training (WANSAC-NPT)
ADDRESS: 1025 South 3rd Street
CITY/STATE/ZIP: Renton, WA 98055
TELEPHONE: (206) 228-8868
DIRECTOR: Mary Christie
CONTACT PERSON:

GEOGRAPHIC AREA SERVED:
State of Washington

SERVICES OFFERED:
Parent training. 11 trainers in 3 sites: Spokane, Yakima, Bremerton.

TYPES OF REFERRALS ACCEPTED:
All

OTHER INFORMATION TO SHARE:
Parent manuals are available on request.

STATE: WASHINGTON

NAME: PAVE (Parent Advocating Vocational Education)
ADDRESS: 1010 South Eye Street
CITY/STATE/ZIP: Tacoma, WA 98360
TELEPHONE: (206) 272-7804
DIRECTOR: Martha Gentili
CONTACT PERSON: Dana Brush

GEOGRAPHIC AREA SERVED:
State of Washington

SERVICES OFFERED:
Group training. One to one training. Volunteer training. Trainer training. Parent advisory council training. Panel presentations. Materials on each area of expertise.

TYPES OF REFERRALS ACCEPTED:
One to one; early childhood; vocational; and transition.

OTHER INFORMATION TO SHARE:
Information on specific disabilities. Inter-agency agreements (DVR, DD, Vocational Education, Special Education). We have general questions and answers about Special Education translated into 10 different languages. Department of Defense school regulations.

STATE: WEST VIRGINIA

NAME: State Model for Comprehensive Services to Parents
ADDRESS: Office of Special Education Administration/Capitol Complex, Building 6, Room B-309
CITY/STATE/ZIP: Charleston, WV 25305
TELEPHONE: (304) 348-8830
DIRECTOR: William Capehart
CONTACT PERSON: Harry Lewis

GEOGRAPHIC AREA SERVED:
State of West Virginia

SERVICES OFFERED:
Project is focused on developing County Direction Centers which will provide assistance to parents in finding appropriate services for their children. As of 10/84, six of the state's 55 counties have centers. The centers also provide training to parents on how to be active participants in their child's special education program. Program includes services to parents of gifted children.

TYPES OF REFERRALS ACCEPTED:
Parents wishing assistance should call the project at (800) 642-8541 (in West Virginia).

OTHER INFORMATION TO SHARE:
They are using material developed by the Parent Educational Advocacy Training Center of Alexandria, Virginia. The Center has a subcontract to provide parent training under this program.

STATE: WISCONSIN

NAME: Parent Education Project
ADDRESS: United Cerebral Palsy of Southeastern Wisconsin, Inc., 152 West Wisconsin Avenue
CITY/STATE/ZIP: Milwaukee, WI 5323
TELEPHONE: (414) 272-4500; (800) 472-5525 (toll free within Wisconsin)
DIRECTOR: Liz Irwin
CONTACT PERSON: Liz Irwin, Jane Kircher, Dawn Haney, Mary Ann Eaton

GEOGRAPHIC AREA SERVED:
Milwaukee metropolitan area (Milwaukee, Waukesha, Washington, Ozaukee) is the target area for most training; a limited amount of training is conducted in other parts of Wisconsin. Telephone assistance is available to parents throughout the state.

SERVICES OFFERED:
Newsletter, telephone assistance, public education, basic workshops on 94-142 and state law, advocacy training, and other kinds of training upon request.

TYPES OF REFERRALS ACCEPTED:
PEP can help any parents of handicapped children in Wisconsin with school-related concerns.

OTHER INFORMATION TO SHARE:
PEP is a resource for southeastern Wisconsin.

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